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In re: WGSB(AM), Mebane, NC
Facility ID No. 25036
Silent since June 18, 2015

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. McCormick:

This letter concerns the request you filed on February 5, 2016, on behalf of Estuardo Valdemar Rodriguez and Leonor Rodriguez ("Rodriguez"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit AM Radio Station WGSB to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that Rodriguez stated that Station WGSB(AM) went silent on June 18, 2015, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on August 13, 2015, and expired on February 9, 2016. Rodriguez requests extension of its STA for financial reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

Rodriguez's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WGSB(AM) to remain silent until June 19, 2016. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WGSB(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., June 19, 2016.**¹

Rodriguez is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If Rodriguez does not file the notification of resumption of operations in a timely manner, the license may be subject to cancellation pursuant to Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, as amended.²

The station's silent status does not suspend the licensee's obligation to comply with all other relevant Commission rules, including the filing, when appropriate, of applications for renewal of broadcast license. Finally, we note that it is imperative to the safety of air navigation that any prescribed

¹ See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

² In addition to filing a notification of resumption of operations electronically on the date operations resume, notification of resumption must also be emailed to Denise.Williams@FCC.gov.

painting and illumination of the station's tower shall be maintained until removed. *See* 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,



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